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SCREENING

THURSDAY, August 7 -- 1540 Broadway
8:30 P.M.

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"THE MERRY WIDOW"

starring

Iana Turner, Fernando Lamas, Una Merkel and Richard Haydn

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A spectacular, lavish and Technicolorful version of Franz Lehar's famed 1905 operetta -- that's the mid-summer treat in store for Members of the Overseas Press Club who'll attend an exclusive preview of this top M-G-M film a week from next Thursday.

The five ~~famous~~ songs that have highlighted "The Merry Widow" will again be heard, with the acting of Iana Turner said to rate high critical praise. A tall, dark and handsome tenor named Fernando Lamas plays the leading male role.

Make reservations early for this summer attraction; seats in the M-G-M screening room are limited to 60. No reservations will be accepted after Monday, August 4. Each member is limited to one Guest for this screening.

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Members of the OPC toured Republic Aviation's Farmingdale, L.I., spacious plant to observe production of all-metal Thunderjet fighter-bomber planes last week. Two chartered buses took members and guests, led by Office Assistant Bill Smith, from Times Square early Thursday morning. The inspection tour was followed by an afternoon outing and buffet lunch at the private beach of Edgewater Lodge in Northport, L.I.

Republic Aviation, which began with 30 employees in 1931, now has more than 20,000 workers turning out the quarter-million dollar jet planes and parts, in a plant covering more than 2,080,000 square feet of floor space.

OPC'ers on the tour all expressed their appreciation to Program Committee Chairman RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., for arranging the trip in cooperation with Carl Byoir's Pete Davis. Members included: MEYER AGEN, NORWOOD ALLMAN, CROSWELL BOWEN, BOYAN CHOUKANOFF, ALBERT CROCKETT, JEWEL DE BONILLA, ELMER BORSUK, GRACE DONALDSON, GERALDINE FITCH, LEANDER FITZGERALD, DOROTHY FISCHER, MANFRED GEORGE, LUCH GOLDSMITH, SANFORD GRIFFITH, WILLIAM HETHERINGTON, ROBERT LA BLONDE, HAL LEHRMAN, RUTH LLOYD, LEO MARGOLIN, B. MATHIEU, WILLIAM MAYER, A. F. "RED" MONROE, JOSEPH PETERS, MAX RODEN, MADELINE ROSS, GERALDINE SARTAIN, ELLISEVA SAYERS, WALTER P. SCHUCK, H.H.W. WOODHEAD.

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STORK NEWS--CHARLES GILLETTE reports an addition to the family: a son, born July 9 at Norwalk hospital, Conn...this is the second child, to be named David...Sarah Lampart Azrael and LOUIS AZRAEL have adopted a little girl born in Germany of American parents...her name is Alice, she is five months old, "has big blue eyes" and flew here solo from Frankfurt...

LELAND STOWE, author of "Conquest by Terror: The Story of Satellite Europe", takes over as director of Radio Free Europe's Information Service in mid-August...Headquarters will be in Munich (R.F.E., 1 Englishcegarten -- or APO 407-A, c/o PM, NY) with frequent visits to RFE-IS Bureaus in London, Paris, Stockholm, Frankfurt, Berlin, Salzburg, Weis, Vienna, Trieste, Rome, Athens and Istanbul...Radio Free Europe has 14 correspondents specializing in obtaining information about the Iron Curtain countries and peoples for RFE broadcast material...

ANOTHER CONQUEST--STOWE was quietly married on June 17 to Miss Rosalie F. Calauz, formerly of Bucharest and Budapest, in the Marble Collegiate Church, NYC. They will sail on the S.S. "Liberte" July 29 for a honeymoon motor tour of France and Switzerland...LEE hopes to return to the U.S. for a 4 to 6-week home leave and lecture tour in February..."Conquest By Terror" now in its second printing...

SERGE FLIEGERS and Leon Pearson's This Week article, "Diplomats Can Get Away With Murder", says: "Some 8,000 men and women in this country are free to slit your throat, steal babies, commit bigamy, tear up traffic tickets, sneer at customs men, and steal state secrets--without getting arrested..." Diplomatic immunity...

Madame Berthe Desvaux Heller, mother-in-law of DAVID DARRAH, died in Nice, France, July 17 at the age of 82...DARRAH is in Nice, at 9 rue Theodore de Banville...

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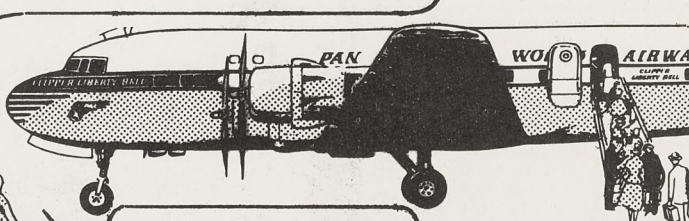
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***** THE BULLETIN BOARD *****

The Library Committee, under the chairmanship of JOHN GOETTE, met for the first time last week with members ELIZABETH FAGG, JOE ROSAPEPE and SIMON W. BESSIE to agree on a campaign to obtain new books for the library, and for luncheon and evening party door prizes.

Publishers will be asked by the committee for cooperation, with the assurance that books will receive review notices in the OPC Bulletin, as well as a credit to the donor when presented to the lucky winners. The Library Committee will try to work with RALPH MAJOR'S Program Committee to develop the idea of centering some events around publication of outstanding books--not only of OPC members but also of those emphasizing the world-wide concern of OPC. The prospect of a new club home encouraged the Committee to work toward a collection of books which would form a worthy and useful unit when new quarters become a reality. (JOHN GOETTE)

:::NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:::

ACTIVE: Victor Boesen: Free lance. Overseas assignments--Hawaii, Guam, Tinian, Okinawa, Japan for Liberty Magazine, May 1945 to November 1946. Proposed by RICHARD TREGASKIS; seconded by WILL OURSLER.

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CHAIRMEN OF RADIO-TV AND HOUSE AND HOSPITALITY COMMITTEES NAME MEMBERS

MATT HUTTNER, Chairman of the Radio-TV committee, has named the following members to serve this year: PAUL SHELDON, JOE DINE, JOHN DALY, RUTH LLOYD, LOUIS LOCHNER, A. WILFRED MAY, RALPH HARTELL, KATHERINE LEEDS. At its first meeting of the year, the Radio-TV committee reviewed the status of negotiations for the sale of OPC-sponsored TV programs, and discussed program possibilities for the fall season.

EDWARD R. MURROW and PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, co-Chairmen of the Memorial Fund committee, have added two members--KATHRYNE CRAVENS and JOE ROSAPEPE.

HELEN ZOTOS and BERT BRANDT, co-Chairmen of the House and Hospitality Committee, named the following members to their committee: LAWRENCE BLOCHMAN, NORWOOD ALIMAN, ELMER BORSUK, KATHRYN CRAVENS, JEWEL DE BONILLA, DOROTHY FISCHER, B. MATHIEU, WILL OURSLER, MADELINE D. ROSS, JOSEPH RUFFNER, GERALDINE SARTAIN, DANIEL VAN ACKER, BETTY WASON.

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"National Newspaper Week" will be celebrated by the nation's 1,773 daily and 9,000 weekly newspapers October 1 to 8...Theodore A. Serrill, general manager of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publisher's Association is national chairman... The brochure quotes Robert A. Vogeler: "It is extremely important for the American people to realize that freedom of the press is a principle placed in the Constitution for their benefit, rather than for the benefit of the newspaper publishers..."

PARIS Dateline--Special to The Bulletin by CURT L. HEYMANN--Paris correspondents laboring under a downhold ranging up to 50% due to strain on communications because of Olympics and US presidential campaign...Benjamin C. Bradlee, former Washington Post reporter, has replaced Elias A. McQuaid (now in Washington for reassignment) as US Embassy press attache...Drinking lemonade at Ambassador James Dunn's

Fourth of July reception in the 16 Avenue Gabriel gardens on the hottest day of the year were JOSEPH DYNAN, AP; EUGENE ENGLISH, Press Wireless; NATHANIAL FARMAN, Life; BERNARD REDMONT, Continental Daily Mail; ERIC HAWKINS, N.Y. Herald Tribune; MAX WINTER, UP; Bertram Perkins, Fairchild; ROSS HAZELTINE, McGraw-Hill; DENIS McEVOY, Readers Digest; DORA MILLER, HILDA LLODIO, and CURT HEYMANN...Heading a press group for the fund drive of the American Hospital in Paris: Edward N. Janks, N.Y. Times; PHILIP WHITCOMB, Macnen's and EUGENE ENGLISH, Press Wireless...

Theodore H. White, The Reporter, took his family to the Riviera for a four-month book-writing stint..."The Human Radar", amazing story of a telepathist who is solving Europe's top crimes, diagnosing illnesses and finding lost treasures, is told by BERNARD S. REDMONT in an article in the August issue of Saga...Ship news reporters who arrived on the superliner "United States" included Walter Hamshar, N.Y. Herald Tribune; Will Grimsley, AP; George Horne, N.Y. Times;...some reporters griped about communications from the liner...an English correspondent said he telephoned his messages back to N.Y. for relay to London...a French journalist noted sadly that the ship arrived at Le Havre before his last cable did...

Big question for the first cross-channel TV show, presenting Paris entertainment and night-life to the British: will the French chorus girls appear with or without bras?...Paris correspondents are mourning the death of B. J. Kosputh, prewar newspaperman in France, who died in a Bordeaux Hospital aged 71...for many years he wrote art criticism and reported Embassy activities for the Chicago Tribune, later for the European Edition of the N.Y. Herald Tribune. The Germans interned him during World War II and he was deported to East Prussia...President Vincent Auriol, dedicating the renovated quarters of the Paris Press Syndicate, said he will return to newspaper work at the end of his presidential term...

TOKYO Dateline--Special to The Bulletin by HAZEL SHORE--One of the largest gatherings at the Correspondent's Club in Tokyo turned out for dinner and dance farewell party given in honor of Mr. & Mrs. DON HUTH...DON, a veteran in the AP foreign service, who has covered the Korean war since it started, has been named chief of AP's Manila bureau...Howard Handleman, who covered the war in the Pacific from Australia to Japan for INS and who served as INS Tokyo bureau since the day the Occupation began, is moving to San Francisco to head the INS bureau... "sayonara" parties also this week to red-haired Sally Eisenberg and Mary Collins, who smoothed the paths for correspondents and photographers during the occupation era PIO...

Tokyo correspondents played a challenge baseball game against the Japanese Foreign Office team...Press team stars: Jule Zenier, NBC-TV; GENE ZENIER, Warner-Pathe; Bob Eunson, AP; Ernie Hoberecht, UP; MAX DESFOR, AP; Murray Schumach, N.Y. Times; Wade Bingham, Telenews; Joe Fromm, U.S. News and World Report; Bob Prosser and Karl Backmeyer, Newsweek; Don Schanke, INS; Jim Becker, AP; Sid White, Army Times; Bob Vermillion, UP...But we don't talk about the score...

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THERE'S SOME DIFFERENCE OF
OPINION HOW YOU SAY THIS
IN GERMAN - BUT IN AMERICA
EVERYBODY ALWAYS SAYS -

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU
CAN'T BEAT A PONTIAC!

HERE AND THERE--ALPHEUS "BILL" JESSUP, head of McGraw Hill's Tokyo Bureau, is returning to the U.S. August 18 for home leave...JESSUP, who has covered the Far East for McGraw-Hill (Shanghai, Manila and Tokyo) since the end of the war, will be re-assigned to Tokyo...

RUSSELL ANDERSON, Foreign Editorial Director of McGraw-Hill, recently was awarded the Navy's Reserve Medal in recognition of 10 years service...ANDERSON

is a Lieutenant Commander...JOE DINE back in New York after two weeks in Hollywood...VICTOR LASKY returned to N.Y. for the summer...HORTENSE MACDONALD flying to Paris...CARL BAKAL postcards a "Zdrvao!" from Belgrade after a two-week auto junket thru Yugoslavia...Lionel Shapiro, author of "Sealed Verdicts" based on the Nuremberg trials, off to England from the United Nations, to watch his new play go into rehearsal. Shapiro goes on to cover Central Europe for NANA in September...KEN S. GINIGER, now with Central Intelligence Agency in Washington, just spent a leave scouting books in Europe for Prentice-Hall...says PERCY KNAUTH is somewhere on the Riviera writing a book...and that PHIL GUSTAFSON is doing magazine pieces from the Hotel France et Choiseul, Paris...

BETTY BETZ has over 6,000 letters from young Japanese asking for American pen pals...

if you know of any youth group interested in becoming junior ambassadors, get in touch with BETTY...all letters are written in English and ages are from 14 to 18...

JOHN STROHM, associate editor of Country Gentleman, writes from Box 30, Woodstock, Ill. to report that he covered the Republican and Democratic conventions...STROHM, who has been doing considerable speaking around the country, lectured at the University of Michigan and Michigan State College...MARY HEATON VORSE's article on the longshoremen's union, "The Pirates Nest of New York" is reprinted from April Harper's in the July Reader's Digest...GERALDINE FITCH has been keeping tabs on the number of concessions on our side of the Korean truce-talks...In the New Leader of July 7, she enumerated a dozen of them under the title: "We Can't Concede Any More"...Marguerite Higgins will accompany her husband, Maj. Gen. William H. Hall to his Tokyo post in mid-August...the couple have been living at Hamilton Base, Cal., since their marriage several months ago...

EDWARD HUNTER, author of "Brain-Washing in Red China" (Vanguard Press) is back in the U.S. for about six weeks to see editors and lecture...HUNTER is now contributing editor for the American Mercury with articles in the April, May and September issues...HUNTER free-lanced in Asia, with Hong Kong as base, for Newsweek, Scripps-Howard, Miami Daily News, Vision and a Japanese news agency...his book is now in second printing in America and abroad...can be reached while in the US at 64 Webster Ave, Port Washington, L.I....

GLIMPSED IN THE DELEGATES DINING ROOM AT THE UNITED NATIONS (By KATHLEEN MC LAUGHLIN)--Mary R. Beard (Rise of American Civilization), visiting from New Milford, Conn;...Elmer Davis, up from Washington for a look at the facilities he'll be using frequently come fall and the General Assembly session; MADELINE ROSS, poised for a cruise but wavering about directions and destinations; and Leo Murray, former Manchester Guardian correspondent in Austria and Germany, on the point of departure for England as a lecturer for the "floating University" taking several hundred American college students to Europe...



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Newsmen at the Conventions found the going easier this week as the Democrats, profiting from Republican tribulations, ironed out some of the technical kinks...CBS had ROBERT TROUT doing the running commentary for both conventions. BILL DOWNS covered Kefauver; Eric Sevareid covered Adlai Stevenson; LARRY LESUEUR covered Alben Barkley; Edward P. Morgan covered Sen. Russell during the Democratic deliberations...Alistair Cooke did color and background features; Winston Burdett and ALLAN JACKSON handled general assignments...LOWELL THOMAS, EDWARD R. MURROW, JACKSON, LESUEUR, Burdett and Sevareid handled their regular daily news shows in addition to doubling at Convention Hall and political headquarters...DAVE SCHOENBRUN, who covered Ike at the Republican convention, was stationed on-stage for the Democratic fracas...DOUG EDWARDS, BILL COSTELLO, Walter Cronkite, Bill Shadell roved around the Hall...

BILL HILLMAN was one of the most sought-after men in Chicago. Author of "Mr. President" and one of the few newsmen on whom the President confides, HILLMAN merely smiled and shook his head when asked, "Well, Bill, what's the President going to do?" HILLMAN reserved comment for his MBS listeners...

BILL CUNNINGHAM and Fulton Lewis, Jr. relaxed between sessions at the huge organ in Convention Hall. CUNNINGHAM worked his way through college playing the organ--and Lewis is organist for his home-town church in Hollywood, Md...Time, Inc. installed a special workroom complete with sofa for exhausted staffers at the convention amphitheatre...SAM SCHULMAN photographing convention scenes for INP...

UNCONVENTIONAL HONEYMOON--BERT BRANDT, UP star photographer, took a bride just before the conventions, took her to the Windy City, promptly found himself taking orders from the little woman...she operated a short-wave set directing BERT around the convention floor for news-of-the-moment shots...BRANDT hopes it won't be habit forming...

From MBS Press Dept: "Commentator BILL CUNNINGHAM has a fetish: wearing or using the color green on important assignments...at the Republican convention he wore green ties and socks regardless of the color suit or shirt he used...even wore green shorts and used chlorophyll toothpaste"...

Elmer Davis, in a provocative piece, "News--and the Whole Truth" in August Atlantic dissects newsmen and newsmethods in these competitive days...Davis at his mike is the magazine's cover picture...In the same issue of the Atlantic, Sen. Paul H. Douglas reveals "What It Costs to Run"...

For the past twelve months, one of the biggest news stories has been the unsuccessful peace parley at Panmunjom...last year, Thomas J. Hamilton, chief of the N.Y. Times U.N. bureau, broke the story of Russian peace overtures made thru a neutral channel toward ending the Korean war. The neutral channel was Sweden and eventually the news seeped through cocktail party channels so casually that the U.S. delegate who heard it from Sven Grafstrom, Swedish delegate to U.N., dismissed it as idle gossip one month before the story broke...Grafstrom, a member of the General Assembly's Good Offices Committee, goes to Mexico as Swedish Ambassador in September...

INSIDE INSIDE--JOHN GUNTHER wrote two special series on: "Inside the Republican Party" and "Inside the Democratic Party" for NEA Service...

"DATELINE MEXICO", official bulletin of the Mexican government information office, reports that a group of U.S. foreign correspondents toured Mexico City July 6 to observe balloting in the presidential voting...group included JOHN WILHELM (McGraw-Hill); Sidney Gruson (N.Y. Times); his wife, the former Flora Lewis of AP; Jules Dubois (Chicago Tribune); Charles Guphill, AP; and Robert S. Benjamin (Vision). (Everything deceptively quiet election day. Riots broke out several days later.)

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